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EMERGENCY AWARENESS BULLETIN

To: All District Supervisors, Inspectors, Analysts and Instructors

From: Ronald H. Hughes, Director, Division of Investigations

Date: May 30, 2007

EAB-07005 - Kentucky Serious Non Fatal Accident No. 4 - Fall of Roof

On May 23, 2007, at approximately 4:30 PM, a continuous miner operator was seriously injured at an underground mine within the Office of Mine Safety and Licensing Barbourville District. The victim was operating a remote control mining machine in the No. 2 right cross cut entry where he positioned himself in an unsupported corner clip. A section of the mine roof fell striking the victim resulting in his injuries.

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES:

- 1. At no time shall anyone proceed beyond roof support.
- 2. The approved roof control plan shall be complied with at all times.
- 3. Mine management shall assure that everyone underground complies with the approved roof control plan.

